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<u>REMARKS</u>

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This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006. Claims 6, 8, 35, and 38 have been amended and claims 1-5 and 17-34 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-42 are presently pending. No new matter has been added.

§112 Rejection

Claims 8 and 35-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Applicant has amended claim 8 to replace "tuner" with "channel" and claims 35 and 38 to replace "address" with "trigger". These amended terms have antecedent basis within their respective claims. The Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejections of these claims.

§103 Rejections

Claims 6-8, 10, 11, 13, and 35-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,051,357 to Carr ("Carr") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,097,441 to Allport ("Allport"). Claims 9, 12, and 14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Carr in view of Allport and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,018,768 to Ullman et al. ("Ullman"). Claims 15, 16, and 38-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Carr in view of Allport and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,485,221 to Banker et al. ("Banker"). The Applicant traverses these rejections.

Independent claims 6, 35, and 38 have been amended to recite "wherein the interactive video casting system is configured and arranged to allow the user to individually subscribe to each of the plurality of television channels, or to televisions programs on the plurality of television channels, to indicate for which of the plurality of television channels or television programs trigger information will be provided to a remote device for storage on the remote device." In other words, the interactive video casting system allows the user to individually designate which television channels or television programs will have trigger information stored on the remote device. This allows the user to personalize the stored information and also can assist in assigning memory resources on the remote device to information in which the user is interested.

None of the cited references teaches or suggests this feature. Carr discloses providing ancillary information for all of the television channels to a receiver. Allport discusses providing embedded data to a remote control. None of the references, alone or in combination, discuss allowing the user to individually select television channels and television programs for which trigger information will be stored on a remote device. A teaching of this type of user selectivity is absent from the cited references.

Thus, the cited references fail to teach or suggest every claim element. For at least these reasons, claims 6, 35, and 38, as well as claims 7-16, 36, 37, and 39-42 which depend therefrom, are patentable over the cited references. The Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections of these claims.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Applicant encourages the Examiner to contact the Applicant's representative, Bruce Black, by telephone to discuss the matter.

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